

MRC Palestine Relief Fund – Frequently Asked Questions

31st October 2023

1. How will the funds raised for the Palestine Relief Fund be sent to Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS)?

The funds raised will be transferred to Palestine Red Crescent’s Emergency Appeal accounts. See details [here](#).

2. How will the funds be utilized by PRCS?

Palestinian Red Crescent (PRCS) has detailed out their requirements in the Emergency Appeal which primarily focuses on supporting their: -

- Ambulances, medical supplies, equipment and psychological aid kits for Children and volunteers.
- They are also seeking support for logistics including fuel for generators and vehicles, maintenance of vehicles and infrastructure.
- Livelihood assistance focuses on providing food, water, emergency shelter support and cash assistances to host families and displaced families.

The funds will be directly managed by the Palestinian Red Crescent.

3. When will the funds be sent to PRCS?

Due to the rapidly deteriorating situation in Gaza and due to the public appeal towards the extension of MRC’s Palestine Relief Fund, we are extending the period for donations till 12th November 2023. After the donation period is complete, the pledged amount will be informed to PRCS by Maldivian Red Crescent (MRC). We will be transferring the funds through the support of local banks and International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent.

However, due to the overwhelming crisis and the immediate need to provide humanitarian services by Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS), MRC will be initiating the process to transfer the funds collected as of 28th October 2023 to Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS).

4. The borders are closed. How can aid reach PRCS?

Palestine Red Crescent is based inside and out of the Gaza area with many Red Cross Red Crescent National Societies supporting their work. The International Committee of Red Cross (with its mandate from the Geneva Convention) is on the ground continuously mediating and facilitating passage of relief and humanitarian assistance.

5. Will the funds usage be reported by MRC?

All National Societies of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement report on their operations and use of donor funding. These reports are available to public. MRC has closely monitored, and where possible, have done monitoring visits to countries where we have donated aid. See details [here](#).

6. Does MRC charge a percentage for administrative costs from the amount received as donations?

No. MRC will not be taking any administrative cost from the donations. The only cost that is incurred in ensuring funds are transferred to the Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS) are related bank charges that may be applied, which will be communicated to the public.

7. Why donate to the MRC Palestine Relief Fund? There are many other campaigns.

Fundraising for humanitarian causes is a joint effort, and we welcome all efforts. We strive for and promote the best practices of international humanitarian practice, accountability, and transparency regarding fund management, from the donation period to the usage of funds by the PRCS. The [MRC Finance Committee and the Complaints Committee](#) also consist of experts who ensure that the process is completed.

8. Can we directly see what happens to the funds that we donate?

The aim of the MRC Palestine Relief Fund is to support the [Palestine Red Crescent Emergency Appeal](#), which contains all the details of the ways the funds can and will be used. By supporting the Appeal, PRCS can provide those affected with the assistance they need the most, adapting to the changing situation and challenges they may face, considering long-term activities and services as well.

9. I want to donate to the Fund after I receive my salary for this month. Will the donating period for the Fund be extended?

MRC is keeping up to date with the latest information provided by the PRCS. We will be evaluating the situation and will inform you of any updates regarding the donating period on our website and social media.